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From J. A. Moore  
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SUBJECT:

As to the propriety of placing  
a few Indian children in  
the White Hall Saloons at Plains  
School, of Cumberland Co. Pa.

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Department of the Interior,

Jan 27 1880.

Respectfully referred to the  
Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

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**Soldiers' Orphans' School.**

J. A. MOORE, PRINCIPAL.

Camp Hill Post Office,

Cumberland County, Pa.

January 23 1880

Hon Carl Schurz,  
Secretary of the Interior.

Dear Sir,

I have been Principal and Manager of a Soldiers Orphan School of Cumberland County Penna. for the past twelve years. The pupils consisting of boys and girls, who remain until the age of sixteen. Our system includes manual labor, as well as an educational department comprising the common branches in the English Language. The system has worked so well and complete, that I deemed it by no means officious, to suggest to you, situated as we are, near the Carlisle Indian School, and knowing the great difficulties in the way

Jan. 24, 1880,

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of bringing a large number of these Indian Children under civilization - the propriety of placing a few in the several Soldiers Orphan Schools of this state. It is obvious, from my long experience in training children that a few of any class, brought in among a large number of well disciplined boys and girls, rapidly take up with the customs, language, and duties of the majority. We frequently have admitted Children of German antecedents who cannot speak one word of English. They will readily in six months speak the language, and soon lose all the former accent. While I have no interest <sup>in</sup> this suggestion, other than a sincere desire to see tested a plan which I believe will work well, I would respectfully refer you to our State Supt. of S. O. Schools, - Hon J. P. Nickershaw, Harrisburg, Pa.

Sincerely, Obedt. Servt. J. J. Moore, Principal  
White Hall S. O. School.

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